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In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.56, applicants submit the documents attached hereto to be made of record in the above-identified case. A listing of said documents on form PTO-1449 is also attached.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date; therefore, no filing fee is believed to be required. If a filing fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge applicants' deposit account 01-1350 for the full amount of said fee.

European Patent Application Numbers 303 039, 400 361 and 874 000 are not in the English language. A concise explanation of the relevance of these references is discussed on page 1, line 35 and page 10, line 29. Additionally, applicants submit herewith

corresponding U.S. Patent Number U.S. 4,981,958 (EP 303 039), U.S. 5,116,967 (EP 400 361) and an English language copy of Derwent Abstract No. 012127697 (EP 874 000).

This Statement is not intended to represent that no better art exists. Applicants reserve the right to contest the applicability of the documents attached hereto as prior art in the event that any information is discovered which demonstrates that said documents do not qualify as prior art.

Consideration of the present Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested. The claimed invention is, however, deemed to represent a patentable departure from the teachings of the prior art.

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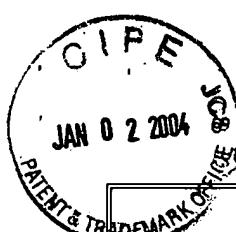
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